





<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b> Applicant(s): Puffer, Jr. et al.				Docket No. 1701-2							
Application No. 10/600,551	Filing Date 06/20/2003	Examiner Lin, Kuang Y.	Customer No. 23405	Group Art Unit 1725	Confirmation No. 6024						
Invention: WAX RUNNERS FOR CASTING											
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed November 29, 2004 for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action is initially due on or before February 28, 2005, and thus this Response is timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.